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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

CHIEF SECRETARIAT

Appoints the Comptroller to Government as an additional member of the Committee for Revision of Salaries.

READ—

Government Order No. 2484-9569—C. B. 178-46-1, dated 27th November 1946, constituting a Committee to examine the adequacy or otherwise of the existing scales of pay of the subordinate executive and ministerial (non-gazetted) and inferior service establishments of Government.

Letter No. C.R.S. 110-46-47, dated 27th December 1946, from the Chairman, Committee for Revision of Salaries, recommending that the Comptroller to Government may be appointed as a member of the Committee.

ORDER No. 3248-65—C. B. 178-46-2, DATED BANGALORE,
THE 9TH JANUARY 1947.

Government are pleased to appoint the Comptroller to Government as an additional member of the Committee constituted in the Government Order read above.

V. VEDAVYASACHARYA, *Chief Secy.*

GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Records the Administration Report of the Gardens Department for the year 1945-46.

Letter No. 115—H, dated 13th November 1946, from the Superintendent, Government Gardens, forwarding the annual report on the working of the Government Gardens and Hill Stations in the State during the year 1945-46.

ORDER No. A. F. 3759-99—G. G. 24-46-4, DATED BANGALORE,
THE 6TH JANUARY 1947.

Recorded.

Mr. K. Keshavagopal Naidu, B.Sc., B.Sc. F. (Edin.), was in charge of the department during the year and Mr. M. H. Mariappa, M.Sc., held charge of the office of Assistant Superintendent.

With a view to improving the Development of Horticulture in Mysore, Mr. G. H. Krumbiegel, F.R.H.S. (Retired Director of Horticulture), was appointed as Consulting Architect and Horticultural Adviser to Government.

Consequent on the abolition of the post of Director of Horticulture, a fresh allocation of work was made delegating certain powers to the Assistant Superintendent, Government Gardens.

Increase in the number of Gardens.—In addition to the existing Gardens under the control of the department, the District Office and General Hospital Gardens at Mandya were taken over under the management of the department during the year.

Scientific Work.—Among the several kinds of seeds and plants of economic and ornamental value introduced, mention may be made of the following:—

1. Seeds of *Hevea braziliensis* were received from Dr. G. T. Kale, D.Sc., Librarian, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, and they are under trial;
2. Hybrid orchids—six varieties—brought from Australia were presented by Mr. B. Viswanath.

Experimental work on fruit culture was carried on at the Fruit Nursery, Lal-Bagh, and the Government Orchard, K. R. Sagar. Some of the rare varieties of fruits, such as Butter fruit (*Persea gratissima*), Bananas, seedless guava, and new varieties of mangoes are being propagated to make them popular.

Propagation of plants of economic importance and ornamental and fruit-yielding varieties was done on a large scale in order to meet the demands of the hobli-workers as well as the general public.

Maintenance and Improvement of Gardens.—All the gardens under the control of the department were maintained in an efficient condition in spite of the failure of the rains and the extreme drought which are unfavourable for garden operations, and several minor works were carried out in many of the Parks and Gardens. The Cubbon Park and the Lal-Bagh at Bangalore maintained their popularity as centres of recreation, while the Curzon Park and the Gordon Park at Mysore

provided similar attraction. The Daria Dowlath Bagh and the Gumbaz Gardens at Seringapatam and the Brindavan Gardens at Krishnarajasagar continued to attract many visitors and holiday-makers.

The Mysore Horticultural Society.—The Society maintained its popularity with the help and co-operation of the Horticultural Department and continued to be an important centre for spreading a knowledge of horticulture. It has a present membership of 240. The half-yearly horticultural shows were held on the 4th and 5th August 1945 and the 2nd and 3rd February 1946, and the exhibits, including those of the vegetable section, were of high standard. The annual subvention of Rs. 1,000 from Government to the Society was continued for 3 years from 1946-47 in order to enable it to stabilise its financial position and carry on its useful work in promoting gardening and providing other facilities, such as the supply of seeds, etc., to the members.

Hill Stations.—The Nandi Hill Station and the Sri Krishnarajendra Hill Station at Kemmangundi continued to be popular as health resorts during summer, the total receipts for the year being Rs. 7,175 and Rs. 1,627, respectively. In order to popularise the Sri Krishnarajendra Hill Station, lighting arrangements were made for four months during the season at a cost of Rs. 200 per mensem. Besides a large number of pilgrims, sight-seers, holiday-makers and excursionists, many distinguished visitors, including His Highness the Maharaja of Kapurthala, the Honourable Lieutenant Colonel Sir Philip Gaisford, Resident in Mysore, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief of India, His Highness the Rajasahib of Bilkha, Sir Archibald Rowlands and Sir Edward Benthall visited the Hill Stations during the year.

The work of the department during the year continued to be satisfactory.

MOHAMED ISMAIL SHERIFF, *Genl. Secy.*

Sanctions certain arrangements for the continuance of the Vegetable Production Scheme and the management of the Government Gardens Department.

READ—

G. O. No. 1018—C. B. 229-43-3, dated 13th July 1944, abolishing the post of Director of Horticulture with effect from 13th July 1944, the date of retirement of Rao Bahadur H. C. Javaraya from service.

2. G. O. No. G. 2477-84—G. G., dated 26th—27th January 1944, placing Mr. K. Nanjappa, Superintendent, Government Gardens, on special duty in connection with the "Vegetable Production Scheme" in the State.

3. Government Notification No. G. 6256—G. G. 22-43-5, dated..... appointing Mr. Keshavagopal Naidu, B.Sc., B.Sc.F. (Edin.), Sub-Assistant Conservator of Forests, as Superintendent, Government Gardens, temporarily during the absence of Mr. K. Nanjappa, Superintendent, Government Gardens, on special duty.

4. Correspondence ending with letter No. Fl. 4—44-45, dated 25th July 1946, from the Director of Agriculture submitting proposals for the continuance of the Vegetable Production Scheme and Horticultural work and for the reversion of Mr. K. Nanjappa, Special Officer, Vegetable Production Scheme, to the Gardens Department, as Superintendent, Government Gardens.

ORDER No. A. F. 3902-61—G. G. 33-46-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 10TH JANUARY 1947.

In January 1944, a scheme for vegetable production in Mysore and Bangalore was sanctioned with a view to arranging for a regular supply of vegetables to the Military during the period of war and for stimulating the production of vegetables for civilian consumption. Mr. K. Nanjappa, F.R.H.S., Superintendent, Government Gardens, was placed on special duty and in direct charge of the scheme under the general supervision and control of the Director of Agriculture. The period for which the entertainment of the Special Officer and his establishment was sanctioned expired on 30th July 1945 and they are being continued from that date, pending consideration of the general question of the continuance of the scheme in its present or modified form.

The Director of Agriculture, who was consulted in the matter, has reported that though the demand for vegetables for the Military has ceased, the need for increasing the production of vegetables for civilian use continues and that it is necessary to continue the work on the "Grow More Vegetables" scheme on a modified scale, and has suggested (1) that Mr. Nanjappa may be reverted to his permanent post as Superintendent, Government Gardens, (2) that the Horticultural Section may be placed under the administrative control of the Director of Agriculture, (3) that Mr. Nanjappa may, in addition to his duties as Superintendent, Government Gardens, be placed in charge of District Horticultural Work and vegetable farms, his status being raised to that of the head of a section of the Agricultural Department, with a revised grade pay of Rs. 300—25—600 and (4) that the vegetable section may be continued as a separate section with a junior officer in immediate charge of it, who will work under the general control of the Superintendent, Government Gardens.

On an examination of these proposals, Government consider that it is not proper that an officer should be in independent charge of the Government Gardens Department and at the same time be subordinate to the head of another department. They therefore direct that the following revised arrangements be brought into effect for the management of the Gardens Department and the continuance of the vegetable production work in future:—

1. Mr. K. Nanjappa, F.R.H.S., Special Officer, Vegetable Production Scheme, will revert to his original charge as Superintendent, Government Gardens, and be continued to be placed in charge of the work on the "Grow More Vegetables" scheme. The Government Grass and Vegetable Farms and the Horticultural Section, with the connected district establishments, will be retransferred from the control of the Agricultural Department to that of the Gardens Department. In view of the increased duties and responsibilities, the grade pay of the Superintendent, Government Gardens, will be revised to Rs. 400—30—700 and Mr. Nanjappa started on Rs. 550 in the grade.

2. Mr. K. Keshavagopal Naidu, B.Sc., B.Sc.F. (Edin.), who has his permanent lien in the Forest Department, and whose services have been lent to act as Superintendent, Government Gardens, *vice* Mr. K. Nanjappa, on other duty, will be permanently retained in the Gardens Department and he will be styled Gazetted Assistant to the Superintendent, Government Gardens, on the same grade as the present grade of the Superintendent, Government Gardens, *viz.*, Rs. 200—40/2—400, with an initial pay of Rs. 320 in the grade. He will assist the Superintendent, Government Gardens, in respect of all works relating to the development of Horticulture in the districts, where the demand for fruit economic and fuel plants and seeds is constantly increasing, and where it is necessary to start district nurseries and organise sales depots in order to meet the demand.

The present Assistant Superintendent will be designated as Second Assistant to the Superintendent, Government Gardens, and be given the maximum pay of the grade of Rs. 125—10—175.

Government observe that it is essential that the districts so far neglected in respect of horticultural work should be attended to and that they hope that the arrangements now sanctioned will accelerate the work in this direction.

Government further direct that Mr. M. H. Mari Gowda, Assistant Superintendent, Government Gardens, be deputed for training for six months at the Kew Gardens and other places in Great Britain. The Superintendent, Government Gardens, is requested to submit necessary proposals to enable Mr. Mari Gowda to proceed in April-May to London.

MOHAMED ISMAIL SHERIFF, *Genl. Secy.*